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METHOD OF CONTROLLING A DRIVE SIGNAL FOR ILLUMINATING A  
COLD-CATHODE-TUBE LIGHT SOURCE

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It is respectfully requested that the listed reference be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.



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